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A BILL FOR

1 An Act limiting the total number of full-time equivalent
2 positions authorized for state government.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 5650HT 82
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1 1 Section 1. Section 8.36A, Code 2007, is amended by adding
1 2 the following new subsection:
1 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. a. Unless expressly authorized by
1 4 law, the total number of full-time equivalent positions funded
1 5 by the general fund of the state for departments of state
1 6 government shall not exceed the number of such positions
1 7 authorized for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008. The
1 8 number shall be adjusted to reflect the positions approved for
1 9 conversion from contract positions in accordance with
1 10 subsection 2.

1 11 b. The limitation on the number of positions established
1 12 pursuant to paragraph "a" may be annually increased as
1 13 provided in this paragraph. The annual increase in the
1 14 limitation shall not exceed the percentage increase in the
1 15 state's population as compared to the previous year. The
1 16 population figures used to make the comparison shall be those
1 17 published in the latest preceding certified federal census or
1 18 the most recent population estimate issued by the United
1 19 States bureau of the census, whichever is the most recent.
1 20 The limitation increase shall be annually identified by the
1 21 department of management for the succeeding fiscal year on or
1 22 before the date of the revenue estimating conference's
1 23 December meeting held in accordance with section 8.22A,
1 24 subsection 3.

EXPLANATION

1 26 This bill limits the total number of full-time equivalent
1 27 positions authorized for state government departments that are
1 28 funded from the general fund of the state. Under Code section
1 29 8.2, the term "department" refers to the departments and
1 30 agencies of the executive branch.

1 31 The bill amends Code section 8.36A, which under current law
1 32 specifies how full-time positions are determined and provides
1 33 that the number authorized for a department can be adjusted to
1 34 reflect conversion of contract positions to state employee
1 35 positions. According to the bill, the base limitation is
2 1 equal to the total number of full-time equivalent positions
2 2 authorized for fiscal year 2008=2009. The base limitation is
2 3 subject to adjustment for contract positions converted. In
2 4 addition, the limitation may be annually increased by not more
2 5 than the percentage increase in the state's population as
2 6 compared to the previous year. The increase is identified
2 7 annually by the department of management for the succeeding
2 8 fiscal year on or before the date of the revenue estimating
2 9 conference's meeting required to be held by December 15 to
2 10 agree to a revenue estimate for the succeeding fiscal year.
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